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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of ) Examiner: Not Assigned  
Jacob Bar-Tana ) Group Art Unit: Not Assigned  
Serial No: Not Assigned ) Customer No.: 25213  
Filed: July 25, 2001 )  
For: Carboxylic Acids And Derivatives )  
Thereof And Pharmaceutical )  
Compositions Containing Them )  
Docket No.: 23117-0002 DIV 1 )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the above application as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS

~~Please cancel claims 10-20.~~

~~Please add new claims 29-31.~~

29. A method for the treatment of coronary or peripheral atherosclerosis which method comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound which inhibits HNF-4 controlled transcription independently of PPAR $\alpha$  activation.

30. A method for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, psoriasis or inflammatory bowel diseases which method comprises administering a therapeutically